

Substitute Bill No. 458

February Session, 2018



AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE EDUCATION STATUTES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 10-10a of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 3 1, 2018):
- 4 (c) The state-wide public school information system shall:
- 5 (1) Track and report data relating to student, teacher and school and
- 6 district performance growth and make such information available to
- 7 local and regional boards of education for use in evaluating
- 8 educational performance and growth of teachers and students enrolled
- 9 in public schools in the state. Such information shall be collected or
- 10 calculated based on information received from local and regional
- 11 boards of education and other relevant sources. Such information shall
- 12 include, but <u>need</u> not be limited to:
- 13 (A) In addition to performance on state-wide mastery examinations
- pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, data relating to students shall
- include, but <u>need</u> not be limited to, (i) the primary language spoken at
- 16 the home of a student, (ii) student transcripts, (iii) student attendance
- and student mobility, (iv) reliable, valid assessments of a student's
- 18 readiness to enter public school at the kindergarten level, and (v) data

- collected, if any, from the preschool experience survey, described in section 10-515;
 - (B) Data relating to teachers shall include, but <u>need</u> not be limited to, (i) teacher credentials, such as master's degrees, teacher preparation programs completed and certification levels and endorsement areas, (ii) teacher assessments, such as whether a teacher is deemed highly qualified pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110, or deemed to meet such other designations as may be established by federal law or regulations for the purposes of tracking the equitable distribution of instructional staff, (iii) the presence of substitute teachers in a teacher's classroom, (iv) class size, (v) numbers relating to absenteeism in a teacher's classroom, and (vi) the presence of a teacher's aide. The department shall assign a unique teacher identifier to each teacher prior to collecting such data in the public school information system;
 - (C) Data relating to schools and districts shall include, but <u>need</u> not be limited to, (i) school population, (ii) annual student graduation rates, <u>including segregated data relating to student enrollment in or graduation from middle college programs</u>, early college high school programs and Connecticut Early College Opportunity programs, as those terms are defined in section 31-11ff, (iii) annual teacher retention rates, (iv) school disciplinary records, such as data relating to suspensions, expulsions and other disciplinary actions, (v) the percentage of students whose primary language is not English, (vi) the number of and professional credentials of support personnel, (vii) information relating to instructional technology, such as access to computers, and (viii) disaggregated measures of school-based arrests pursuant to section 10-233n.
 - (2) Collect data relating to student enrollment in and graduation from institutions of higher education, including segregated data relating to student enrollment in and graduation from middle college programs, early college high school programs and Connecticut Early College Opportunity programs, as those terms are defined in section

- 52 <u>31-11ff</u>, for any student who had been assigned a unique student
- 53 identifier pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, provided such data
- 54 is available.
- 55 (3) Develop means for access to and data sharing with the data 56 systems of public institutions of higher education in the state.
- 57 Sec. 2. (Effective from passage) The Department of Education, in 58 consultation with the Office of Higher Education, shall conduct a study 59 of funding for middle college programs, early college high schools and 60 Connecticut Early College Opportunity programs, as those terms are 61 defined in section 31-11ff of the general statutes. Such study shall 62 include, but need not be limited to, the availability of state and local 63 funding for such programs, the feasibility of establishing public-64 private partnerships to fund and support such programs, how funding 65 is currently distributed or raised for existing programs, and 66 recommendations for a consistent funding source for such programs. 67 Not later than January 1, 2019, the department shall submit a report on 68 its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of 69 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to 70 education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the 71 general statutes.
- Sec. 3. Subsection (d) of section 10-221d of the 2018 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2018*):
 - (d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to (1) a student employed by the local or regional school district in which the student attends school, or (2) a person employed by a local or regional board of education as a teacher for a noncredit adult class or adult education activity, as defined in section 10-67, who is not required to hold a teaching certificate pursuant to section 10-145b for his or her position.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | July 1, 2018 | 10-10a(c) |
| Sec. 2 | from passage | New section |
| Sec. 3 | July 1, 2018 | 10-221d(d) |

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